[Document R.]

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES,
FEBRUARY 6th, 1867.
Read and referred.

SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Childrens' Aid Society

OF BALTIMORE.

"HOME" No. 72 NORTH CALVERT STREET,
BETWEEN SARATOGA AND PLEASANT STREETS.

ANNAPOLIS:
HENRY A. LUCAS, PRINTER.
1867.

BOARD OF MANAGERS

OF THE

"CHILDREN'S AID SOCIETY."

Constituted for the Seventh Year of its Organization.

President,

WILLIAM B. CANFIELD.

Vice-President,

JOHN CURLETT.

Corresponding Secretary. WILLIAM A. WISONG.

Recording Secretary, EDWARD OTIS HINKLEY.

Treasurer,

JESSE TYSON.

J. Harman Brown,
Germon H. Hunt,
Dr. Jas. C. Thomas,
William H. Milliken,
Edward D. Freeman,
Cornelius M. Cole,
George H. Pagels,
G. S. Griffith,
J. Dean Smith,
Charles R. Coleman,
Dr. Henry S. Hunt,
Thomas D. Baird,
John C. Bridges,
David G. Rogers,
Jos. Merrefield,
Andrew Merker,
James M. Drill,
Charles H. Mercer,
William Daniel,
C. W. Humrichouse,
Francis T. King,
John L. Weeks,
Hiram Woods, Jr.,
George R. Hill,
W. H. Richardson,

Finance Committee,

John Curlett, Francis T. King, Germon H. Hunt.

Jesse Tyson, *Treasurer*, ex-officio.

Executive Committee,

Dr. James Carey Thomas,
J Dean Smith,
C. W. Humrichouse,
George H. Pagels.

Edward Otis Hinkley,
J. Harman Brown,
Joseph Merrefield,
Wm. B. Canfield,
Charles R. Coleman,
Wm. H. Milliken,
Germon H. Hunt,
John C. Bridges,
Wm. H. Richardson,
Jesse Tyson,
John Curlett,

Agent.

WILLIAM C. PALMER.

Clerk.

GILBERT D. OLIVER.

Collector,

SOLOMON O'BRYON.

OFFICERS AND MANAGERS

OF THE

Ladies Department of the "Children's Aid Society."

President,
MRS. R. T. CHURCH.

Vice President,
MRS. WILLIAM KIMMEL.

Secretary,
MRS. M. G. HAMILTON,

Treasurer,
MISS ISABEL HART.

Mrs. William Harrison,
Mrs. William B. Canfield,
Mrs. Job Smith,
Miss A. Harris,
Mrs. Cookey,
Mrs. Benson,
Mrs. W. A. Lawrason,
Mrs. George S. Brown,
Mrs. Edward Williams,
Miss Sallie Longcope,
Mrs. Laura M. Parks, Matron.
Mrs. Thomas Spicer,
Mrs. J. W. Butler,
Mrs. F. Boyd,
Mrs. John Curlett.

☞Subscriptions will be gladly received by the Treasurer, Jesse Tyson, Northwest corner of Charles and Lexington Streets, by either of the above Managers, by Solomon O'Brion, collector, or by the Agent at the office.

Donations of *Dry Goods, Second Hand Clothing, Shoes, Stockings, Caps, Fuel, Flour, Meats, Groceries, &c., &c.*, are much needed, and will be gratefully received and *properly* acknowledged in our next Annual Report. As a severe winter is coming upon us, our "*Little Wanderers*" would feel very grateful to their friends, for any cast off clothing they may have to spare, which will be *immediately* called for, if the donor's address be sent to our office.

LOCAL COMMITTEES IN THE COUNTRY.

Belair Road, Baltimore county, Maryland—Thomas Gorsuch of Charles.

Fork Meeting, Baltimore county, Maryland—Henry Kennard.

Long Green, Baltimore county, Maryland—Alexander Francis, John Jones.

Rossville, Baltimore county, Maryland—Stephen Grimes.

White Hall, Baltimore county, Maryland—John M. McComas, N. D. Lytle, John P. Cuddy.

Westminster, Carroll county, Maryland—Henry Luther Norris, Jacob Reese.

Silver Run, Carroll county, Maryland—David Feezer, Cyrus Feezer.

Marriottsville, Howard county, Maryland—Elias P. Devries, Henry Devries.

Ellicotts's Mills, Howard county, Maryland—Thomas Jenkins, Beal Helm.

Roxbury Mills, Howard county, Maryland—Dr. John H. Owings, John C. Colliflower.

Cooksville, Howard county, Maryland—Thomas B. Hobbs.

Jarrettsville, Harford county, Maryland—David Hanway.

Dublin, Harford county, Maryland—John S. Williamson.

Pomunky, Charles county, Maryland—Oliver N. Bryan.

New Hope, Caroline county, Maryland—Willis Corkrun.

Easton, Talbot county, Maryland—James H. McNeal, Leonidas Dodson, Charles M. Jump.

Church Hill, Queen Anne's county, Maryland—David H. Crane, John H. Evans, Horace T. Roberts, John L. Spry.

Crumpton, Queen Anne's county, Maryland—Stephen J. Bradley, James M. Benton, Joseph M. Carson.

Frederick, Frederick county, Maryland—Jonathan Tyson, Luther M. Schaffer, Dr. Jacob Baer, W. S. Bruner, Andrew Boyd, Joseph W. L. Carty.

West Friendship, Howard county, Maryland—David T. Stewart.

Linganore, Frederick county, Maryland—A. H. Williar, Peter Lugenbeel, Moses Douty.

Hagerstown, Washington county, Maryland—Rev. Joshua Evans, Wm. M. Marshall.

Sandy Hook, Washington county, Maryland—John Hefflebower.

Brownsville, Washington county, Maryland—Cornelius Brown, George Yourty, E. B. Nicewaner.

Gettysburg, Adams county, Penn.—Rev. H. L. Baugher, R. G. McCreary, Rev. H. G. Finney, Rev. J. R. Warner, Rev. T. P. Butcher, Dr. H. S. Huber, Dr. R. Horner, Joel B. Danner, Rev. Wm. McElwee, Rev. A. Essick, Rev. J. Zeigler, Dr. C. A. Horner, Dr. A. W. Dorsey, D. McConaughy.

New Oxford, Adams county, Penn.—John R. Hursch, John Myers.

Shippensburg, Cumberland county, Penn.—John Bridges, Wm. A. Cox, Dr. A. Stewart, A. Hostetter.

Auxiliary to Shippensburg Committee.

Newburg, Cumberland county, Penn.
Rev. I. N. Hays,
David Shomaker,
Middle Spring, Cumberland county, Penn.
Rev. I. N. Hays,
William L. Means.
Newville, Cumberland county, Penn.
Henry S. Ferris,
James McCandlish,
John Green.
Orrstown, Franklin county, Penn.
Rev. I. N. Hays,
James B. Orr,
David Spencer.
Fayetteville, Franklin county, Penn.
James L. Horner,
Samuel Blackenridge.

Selinsgrove, Snyder county, Penn.—Rev. Peter Anstadt, Rev. S. Domer, Charles Rhodes, Rev. C. Wiser.

Sunbury, Northumberland county, Penn.—J. H. Engle, J. W. Friling, George Hill.

Lewisburg, Union county, Penn.—F. W. Pollock, Johnson Walls, Rev. R. A. Fink.

SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT.

OF THE

CHILDREN'S AID SOCIETY

OF BALTIMORE

The Board of Managers review the operations of the Children's Aid Society, during the past year, with feelings of gratitude and pleasure. The support we have received from various sources has enabled us to perfect the working of our system, and we believe, to increase the usefulness and efficiency of the Society.

We continue to extend our aid to the destitute and vagrant boys and girls, who often homeless and friendless, are drifting about the increasingly crowded thoroughfares of our city.

For one hundred and twenty-eight children, we have found home in the country during the past year. Of these, thirty were committed to us by the courts and magistrates under the Act authorizing such committal. Twenty-two were orphans and all but seven were located in our own State. We have also continued to protect and shelter children who have claimed our assistance, and have been able to rescue some from abodes of misery and crime. Feeling that there never was greater need of our exertions, we hope to be able to extend and enlarge our operations in future.

As anticipated in our last Annnal Report, this Society removed into their own "Home," No. 72 North Calvert street, on the first of February, 1866- It needed to be thoroughly repaired and furnished before we entered it. This was accomplished mainly by the exertions of one of our managers and family, through whose efforts a successful Concert was given, by the best amateurs of the city on our behalf, which realized the handsome sum of four hundred and fifty-nine dollars and fifty cents. The ladies who participated in the management of the Society, also aided us, both in the collection and judicious disbursement of the money set aside for this object.

To all those who have so kindly added to the comfort and convenience of our "Home," we tender our most grateful acknowledgements. A ground rent of one hundred dollars,

redeemable for the sum of sixteen hundred and sixty-six dollars, remains on the property, which we feel very desirous to pay (should our friends enable us so to do) during the coming year. Our agent, Wm. C. Palmer, has continued his efficient and faithful labors on our behalf. He has made several trips through the State of Maryland, to place children in their homes, and to visit those already located, besides going once into Pennsylvania.

The Northern Central Railroad and the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, most liberally gave our agent and children free passage over their roads, and the steamboats on the bay have reduced the usual fare in our favor. This liberality is of most important advantage to us, and the expenses of sending our children to their country homes, is thus greatly reduced.

A large correspondence has been kept up with our children, by which we believe as much certainty has been attained in regard to their welfare, as could reasonably have been expected. We have full and accurate accounts of every child under our care, which are so recorded and arranged, that reference can readily be made to them at any time.

As already stated, enlarged experience has enabled us to increase the efficiency of the management of the important trust committed to us, and we rejoice in believing that many boys and girls under our care, are now in the enjoyment of the privileges and comforts of real home life, protected, cared for, and trained to usefulness, who, without the aid of our Society, would have swelled the ranks of the vicious and unruly, for whose safe keeping, jails and penitentiaries are erected at such an expense to the community.

The city has continued its appropriations of one thousand dollars. The State also gave us one thousand dollars, the benefits of which to each are incalculable, taking as we do, children from the sinks and purlieus of the city, and placing them in good homes in the country, where their labor and skill will be invaluable, as they grow in years and experience. We also acknowledge with gratitude the response which our citizens have made to the necessities of our work. For the condition of our finances, we refer to the Treasurer's Report, which is annexed.

Our Collector, Mr. Solomon O'Bryon, for whom we beg a favorable reception, will prosecute his useful labors on our behalf, during the coming year.

Our acknowledgments are again due to our matron, for the faithful and efficient care of the children while in our "Home."

Those who have aided us in any way have our most sincere thanks.

A statement of receipts and donations accompany this report.

We take pleasure here in again acknowledging our indebtedness to Dr. James Carey Thomas, a member of the board, for his gratuitous and constant attention to the health of the children.

In conclusion, whilst gratefully acknowledging the blessing with which it has pleased the Lord during the past year to crown our feeble efforts in behalf of poor and neglected children, we are encouraged to persevere in our work, believing that the results which we have already seen, are the best warrant for our future success.

AGENTS ANNUAL REPORT.

October, 1st, 1866.

Office, No. 72, N. Calvert Street.

GENTLEMEN:

I consider it unneccessary to comment upon the design and operations of a society so well known as ours; especially as the public mind has boen so satisfactorily enlightened by your former reports.

I will therefore confine myself to a minute detail of statistics.

We had remaining in our "Home" at the close of the year ending September 30th, 1865, 8 children. 110 additional ones have been received, and 32 returned to the "Home" from the county, making in the aggregate 150. Of this number 114 have been placed in comfortable homes; 8 ran off from the "Home," and for various reasons were not returned; 22 have been returned to their parents; leaving with us not disposed of 6. Of the 110 received, 16 had both parents living; 20 had father only; 52 had mother only; and 22 were orphans; 1 was received from parents; 19 from father; 44 from mother; 13 from relatives; 3 from friends; 3 from Orphans' Court, and 27 from magistrates.

66 were American; 3 English; 29 Irish, and 12 German; 23 could read and write, 22 could read only, and 65 could neither read nor write.

Of the 128 placed in homes, including the 14 transferred; 108 were placed in Maryland; 1 in Pennsylvania; 1 in New Jersey; 4 in Virginia; 1 in Indiana; 7 in the House of Refuge, and 6 in the Orphans' Asylum. Of the above number, (128,) 100 were placed with farmers, 3 with mechanics, 7 with store-keepers, 2 with ministers, 2 with physicians, 1 with an editor, and 13 in institutions.

3 Expeditions, comprising companies of children, were made as follows:

To Triadelphia, Montgomery county, Maryland.
To Easton, Talbot county, Maryland;
To Church Hill, Queen Anne's county, Maryland.

8 Expeditions visiting children, as follows:

To Middletown, Frederick county, Virginia.
To Port Tobacco, Charles county, Maryland.
To Triadelphia, Montgomery county, Maryland.
To White Hall, Baltimore county, Maryland.

To Church Hill, Queen Anne's county, Maryland.
To Clarksville, Howard county, Maryland.
To Easton, Talbot county, Maryland.
To Shippensburg, Cumberland county, Pennsylvania.

59 children have been visited.

26 children have visited us.

26 letters have been received from the children themselves.

710 written and verbal reports have been received relative to the children.

1 has arrived at age—saved through this instrumentality.

2 has fallen asleep, to awake in "Our Father's Home" in glory.

Respectfully submitted,
WM. C. PALMER, Agent.

EXTRACT

From our Agent's Report, of a Tour through Pennsylvania and Maryland, visiting our Children.

At Harrisburg, Pa., visited No. 356, placed June 9, 1864, with F. R., a merchant. This child is fond of her home—attends day school, church, and Sabbath school, and is dealt with in every respect as an adopted child. *She is an orphan, rescued from our streets while on her road to ruin.*

At Selinsgrove, Snyder county, Pa., visited No. 120, placed October 7, 1861, with C. B. M., an architect. A superior home, no other children. Mr. M. well off, strict attention paid to the child's intellectual and moral improvement, as one adopted. *Mother died when he was quite young, father very poor.*

Near Selinsgrove, visited No. 133, placed January 31, 1862, with J. A., a wealthy farmer; intelligent man and good Christian; friend to humanity and education, no female children, adopted this girl, loves her dearly. *She was rescued from one of the lowest dens in the "Causeway."*

At Sunbury, Northumberland county, Pa., visited No. 101, placed October 10, 1861, with H. K. A., a carpenter—no other boys in family, every advantage for church, Sabbath and day school, clothed and treated as if adopted. *When received was suffering from hunger and privation.*

Near Sunbury, visited No. 100, placed December, 1863, with A. S., a good farmer and amiable man—sends boy four months in a year to day school, and pays particular attention to his morals—boy very fond of his home, *having suffered many hardships from a debased mother at home.*

At Shamokin, Northumberland county, Pa., visited No. 50, placed February 5, 1862, with E. B., an employee in coal mines—in good circumstances, very pious family, no children, strong attachment for this child, educating him, he knowing no other friends. *A little waif from the streets.*

At Lewisburg, Union county, Pa., visited No. 42, placed October 15, 1861, with E. J. H., a farmer—no children, treats this boy as his own, educates him, exercising great care in his moral training. This boy declares he will not leave his home, *the only one he has had since the death of his mother.*

At Lewisburg, visited No. 30, placed September 19, 1861,

with P. N. G., a cabinet maker and christian gentleman, in good circumstances. Space will not allow me to give this home justice—a better home cannot be procured. Boy cannot be surpassed for nobleness of character. *Mother low va grant.*

At Middle Spring, Cumberland county, Pa., visited No. 388, place August 31, 1864, with W. D. M., a farmer, in good circumstances—no children, very pious family, considers this boy their own ; a splendid home. The poor child dearly loves them. *Child's mother miserably poor, father in the army.*

Near Orrstown, Franklin county, Pa., visited No. 412, placed December 6, 1864, with L. K., a christian farmer—well off, no children; educates, clothes and feeds boy well, being very fond of him, treating him as his own. *Boy's father respectable; mother a miserable, low vagrant, hardly ever sober.*

Near Orrstown, visited No. 380, placed August 28, 1864, with S. G. B., a christian farmer, in good circumstances—no children, loves the boy dearly, educates and provides for him as his own; day school upon the place, church and Sunday school near. *This child from Alms House.*

Near Orrstown, visited No. 408, placed December 6, 1864, with J. H., a low, closed-fisted and profane farmer—miserable shanty, food bad, clothing worse, education none, treatment miserable. *Better had the boy remained with his vagrant mother, thief though she was.* TRANSFERRED HIM TO A GOOD HOME.

Near Shippensburg, Cumberland co., Pa., visited No. 375, placed August 30, 1864, with J. M., a farmer and highly respectable christian, gentleman as benevolent as he is wealthy—children all grown. This girl takes their place in his affections. *Received from Magistrate; mother a poor widow.*

Near Shippensburg, visited No. 382, placed August 17, 1865, with G. C., a wealthy farmer—no small children, every comfort, very much attached to the boy; being advanced in age, is dependent on the boy, who in turn is much benefitted, *his mother being dead, and father intemperate.*

Near Shippensburg, visited No. 387, placed April 14, 1865, with D. M., manufacturer, who has by every means in his power, assisted by a pious wife, endeavored to reform the girl, but without effect. Will not remove her, she promises amendment. *Was commmitted for larceny to our care, by a magistrate.*

Near Middle Spring, visited No. 383, placed August 27, 1864, with W. D. McC., an old bachelor, with his mother and sister residing with him ; large farm, well cultivated ; boy's welfare, both temporal and spiritual strictly promoted—a great blessing, *boy's father being a drunkard.*

Near Newburg, Cumberland Co. Pa., visited No. 282, placed December 7, 1864, with H. S., a farmer—only a medium home. The girl has good clothing, plenty to eat, and good

treatment: do not, however, consider her surroundings good —REMOVED HER. *An orphan, received from her aunt.*

Near Newburg, visited No. 410, placed December 6, 1864, with J. P., an industrious young farmer, in moderate, though comfortable, circumstances. Being fond of the child, he is endeavoring to rear her properly. She attends church, Sabbath school, and day school. *Committed by magistrate—parents worthless.*

Near Middle Spring, visited No. 415, placed December 6, 1864, with F. H. McC., a wealthy farmer—very superior home in every way, highly respectable and pious people, think as much of him as if he were their own. *This child's mother is one of the most degraded vagrants of our city.*

Near Scotland, Franklin co. Pa., visited No. 138, placed December 6th, 1864, with P. H. E., a wealthy farmer. Words fail to express the gratitude we owe to our Heavenly Father for His dealings with this child, *once a destitute orphan; beggar and thief, now adopted by a servant of God, and and on his way to a "better home" in Heaven.*

Near Fayettville, Franklin co. Pa., visited No. 389, placed August 24, 1864, with S. B., a wealthy farmer and upright man, who, in receiving this boy, was prompted by purely disinterested motives. A better home cannot be found. *Child's father dead, mother wretchedly poor.*

At Fayetteville, visited No. 365, placed August 25, 1864, with G. C., a saddle and harness maker. Boy great favorite, attends day school all the year, church and Sabbath school regularly; clothed nicely, gently cared for. *Received from mother; abused by step-father.*

Near Green Village, Franklin co., P., visited No., 417, placed December 6, 1864, with W. C., a well-to-do farmer, with one little daughter; good, kind-hearted folks. The child declares that she does not desire to return to the city; attends church, Sabbath school, and day school. *Was received from the Ceuseway.*

At Hagestown, Washington co., Md., visited No. 321, placed November 28, 1863, with J. D. R., a clothing merchant. Very nice family—fond of the child, and she of them; attends day school five months in the year, church and Sabbath school. *This girl's mother is a very poor widow.*

Near Brownsville, Washington co., Md., visited No. 322, placed April 7, 1864, with G. Y., a farmer in good circumstances. Boy quite a pet, no children; soldiers destroyed day school; taught at home, attends church and Sabbath school. *Mother degraded; never inquires for him.*

At Brownsville, visited No. 199, placed August 10, 1862, with C. B., a tanner. Excellent home, pious, people; no day school, learning at home; is very much attached to his home; attends church and Sabbath school; well clad, will learn trade. *Orphan; mother died since placing him with us.*

At———, visited No. 325, placed December 11, 1863; with a wealthy farmer. This dear child is very pretty—has been adopted, with every advantage, both temporal and spiritual, afforded. *Behold a brand plucked from the burning; an orphan girl of twelve years, rescued from one of the lowest dens of iniquity and crime in our city, frequented by both whites and blacks.*

At Sandy Hook, Washington county, Md., visited No. 48, placed February 14, 1861, with J. H., a well-to-do farmer. Boy nearly of age, a great favorite. *This was a news boy, taken from a wretched celler, in a degraded locality in the southern section of our city.* His home has made a "man" of him.

Near Oakland, Allegany county, Md., visited No. 5 placed November 3, 1860, with J. P., a poor farmer, owning 1,000 acres of poor land—a poor house and a poor manager. Few educational advantages, either spiritual or intellectual. *Boy the son of a destitute widow.* REMOVED HIM, after my return to Baltimore; *having traveled SEVEN HUNDRED MILES, and visited TWENTY-NINE CHILDREN, at an expense of only NIFE DOLLARS AND NINETY CENTS.*

EXTRACT

From a report of our agent, of an expedition made to the country this year, with a company of fifteen children, ranging in age from six to sixteen years.

GENTLEMEN: Having on the 24th of February last, received a communication from Hon. James H. McNeal, Secretary of our Local Committee at Easton, Talbot Co., Md., requesting that a company of our children be brought over to his county, I in accordance with instructions received from our President, Wm. B. Canfield, Esq., collected the children at that time in the "Home" and formed them into a company as follows, viz:—

No. 518, 16 years—Received from father. Driven from home by cruel step-mother.

No. 535, 14 years—Received from magistrate. Refugee; father dead, deserted by mother.

No. 558, 14 years—Received from father. Very poor; mother dead.

No. 551, 13 years—Received from magistrate. Father dead; mother vagrant.

No. 556, 12 years—Received from mother. Very poor; father dead.

No. 547, 12 years—Received from magistrate. Parents vagrants.

No. 552. 10 years—Received from magistrate. Father dead; mother vagrant.

No. 548, 9 years—Received from magistrate. Parents vagrants.

No. 408, 9 years—Received from magistrate. Vagrant and thief. Father dead; mother a vagrant.

No. 543, 8 years—Received from father. Very poor; mother dead.

No. 544, 8 years—Received from mother. Very poor; deserted by father.

No. 530, 7 years—Received from mother. Deserted by father.

No. 534, 7 years—Received from Hon. H. L. Bond. Mother common vagrant.

No. 549, 7 years—Received from magistrate. Parents vagrants.

No. 553, 6 years—Received from mother, drunken vagrant. Father at sea.

The hour for departure having arrived, formed our little ones into two companies, under command of Nos. 518 and 535, who marched them in good order on board of steamer Kent, where we took up our quarters in the saloon. The gentlemanly Agent of the Individual Enterprise Line, to which this boat is attached, kindly made a reduction in our favor, charging but ten dollars for the entire company of fifteen children; customary rates being $2.50 for passengers over ten years. Above ten dollars, with my fare ($2.50), amounted in the total to twelve dollars and fifty cents.

Embarking in high glee at seven o'clock, A. M., nothing transpiring to mar the pleasure of our trip, except that of ravenous appetites, which some big slices of bread and butter from the steward's dominions, with some cakes, had a tendency to appease. Fine day; children very happy; much interest manifested by lady passengers in us, (I mean the children); many questions propounded as to who we were and where we were bound.

Upon our arrival at Easton Point, were met by Leonidas Dodson, Esq., of our Local Committee at Easton, who escorted us to the town, which is about a mile from the landing, where we arrived safely, with bright eyes and muddy shoes. Upon entering the town, our little scamps favored the good deople with a *voluntary* from the *Sunday School Opera*, with a whistling accompaniment, much to the surprise of the over sympathetic portion of the worthy burghers and matrons, who could not conceive how it were possible for the "little wanderers" to "sing the Lord's song in a strange land." Indeed, it was a glorious scene, especially when we contemplate "the pit from which we were digged," making at least one heart leap for joy at the prospect of glorious homes for the little forsaken, homeless ones.

Arriving at hotel, found arrangements already made by the Local Committee for our accommodation. As we marched into "quarters" quite a crowd collected to see "The Aid Society Children from Baltimore.

Our "Home" brigade, taking advantage of the confusion caused by its sudden and overwhelming charge, captured the stove, which it held under a strong guard until supper time. "Our youngest," "Anthony," a little Paddy, with the shrewdness so characteristic of his nation, marched up to bar-keeper with—"I want you to warm me hands; they be cowld." His demand was readily obeyed, although in rather a novel way—*they were bathed in whiskey.*"

By the advice of our Local Committee, filled no applications this evening; to-morrow being a public day, and the majority of the children already engaged to be delivered at that time. After a thorough warming, and replying to any amount of questions, "Are these all your children?" "Where did they come from?" "Are they to be bound out?" "I want a girl"

(from almost every one.) There is certainly a strong attachment for the girls in Talbot county. Made a raid upon the supper table, a movement long to be remembered by our "light infantry," a jolly supper it was—real farmer's fare. Had ravenous appetites, which four experienced waiters exerted themselves to the utmost to encourage; fortunately, no death ensued. Soon after supper, marched to quarters for the night, placing the girls in the charge of a female domestic. Our room contained four large beds, into which I packed our little chaps, deeming it prudent to keep them together as much as possible, fearing sickness consequent upon said supper.

The following morning aroused our "boys" by times. Set the captains to work, washing and dressing the smaller ones under their care; the larger waiting upon themselves. Having completed our toilet, marched in order to breakfast.

Received a visit from Mr. McNeal, he being desirous to see the children previous to the arrival of the applicants. After breakfast, collected all the children together and presented them to the Local Committee, Messrs. McNeal, Dodson and Jump, in our own room. By the adoption of this course much unnecessary trouble was obviated, as none but applicants were admitted. Having previously informed the Committee, as far as my knowledge extended, of the antecedents, character and disposition of each and every child in my company, awaited the arrival of applicants. Did not have to wait long; they soon commenced to gather, when our contracts were properly filled up, and signed by them; after which they were witnessed and endorsed by the Committee, and the children delivered to their new friends, much to the sorrow of their old friend, your humble servant. It was upwards of three o'clock before we accomplished our work in placing our little ones in their new homes. It affords me unfeigned pleasure in being able to state, that I have been greatly blessed in the prosecution of my labors in this expedition; having experienced little or no difficulty in procuring our children excellent homes with pious farmers and mechanics, selected by an efficient committee of judicious men, whose characters are unimpeachable, and whose only and sole object is the amelioration of the condition of the destitute children committed to our care. From the children themselves I experienced no trouble of any account, they having throughout the entire trip manifested happy and cheerful dispositions, and were very obedient. After visiting some of our little ones, placed out in this and other expeditions, whom I found doing well, returned home on Saturday, March 3d. Net expenses incurred, $9.75.

INCIDENTS.

"HARVEST HOME."

"One Saved."

Received a visit from No. 300, who called to inform us that, having arrived at age, she has been released from the care of her foster parents, residing in the country, with whom she has been living since June 6th, 1863. She furthermore informs us, with feelings of deep gratitude, that she has enjoyed the advantages of an excellent Christian home, with many earthly comforts. Her foster parents have strictly adhered to the contract into which they originally entered with our Society, by furnishing her at the close of her engagement with an entire outfit of excellent clothing and thirty dollars in cash, which she has deposited in the "Savings' Bank of Baltimore." Independently of all this, while in her home she was treated as a child of the family, and her education zealously promoted. Since her return to the city, she has secured a position which protects her from those temptations by which she was originally surrounded. Her parents being exceedingly intemperate, allowed her to be thrown among the worst associations of our streets, by whom she would have been ruined, had she remained longer under their contaminating influences. Should we not feel encouraged to go on with our glorious work?

"ESCAPED TO THE MOUNTAINS."

Nos. 412 and 415, two little German boys, respectively nine and six years of age. Mother a low degraded vagrant; father intelligent and very respectable—tailor by trade. Mother appeared at the office, and stated that, by advice of Stephen Whalen, Esq., Justice of the Peace, she had called to request that we receive her two sons, (above referred to,) she being no longer able to provide for them, her husband having deserted her and the children. The poor creature was then under the influence of drink, and we have never

known her sober but once since, although she has frequently visited us. At the request of this woman, called at her residence on Bank street, where we found her with her youngest son; had a hunt for the other; found him upon the street; upon our approach he endeavored to give us the slip; caught him, and talked to him kindly. Finding him an intelligent boy, soon succeeded in obtaining his confidence. Considering the shortest way the best, at least in this instance, persuaded the poor creature to have her children committed to our care, through her friend Justice Whalen, which was accordingly done, she testifying that her husband had deserted her, and, that, being no longer able to provide for them, she was desirous that they should be committed to the care of the Children's Aid Society. In consideration of the mother being exceedingly intemperate, his honor deemed it advisable to retain from her all information relative to the future residence of her children. Bidding adieu to the poor creature, conveyed the rescued lambs to "our fold," where they remained until an opportunity offered to lead them in a flock of thirteen to green pastures in the country, among the glorious old hills, where the perfume of sweet clover is substituted for that of vile whiskey.

These boys were not only very pretty, but quiet intelligent, the oldest could read both German and English, the youngest could spell very readily. These little ones are now in excellent Chistian homes, where they have been adopted, there being no other childreu. This we know to be the fact, having upon a number of occasions visited them, always finding them perfectly happy and contented, with no desire to return to the pit from which they were digged, seldom alluding to their poor besotted mother, being well aware that it is to their advantage to remain in positions where they are not only surrounded by every necessary comfort, but where they have the advantage of obtaining a good education, which they never would have received in our streets. Within one hour after the reception of these children, we came to the conclusion that "upon the other side of the house" their antecedents were good. Nor were we mistaken in the opinion formed, Since procuring them homes in the country, upon one bright Sabbath morning we received a visit from a German gentleman, who introduced himself as the father of the above menioned boys, declaring with deep feeling that he was of necestity compelled to separate himself from his wife—she having early imbibed a love for ardent spirits, against which he had used every influence at his command, but without success. As a last resort he was compelled to leave her, determined no more to return. Previous to the adoption of this course, he had procured for his two sons good places in the city with his friends, paying their board and clothing them himself. His wife, however, would not, as has heretofore been shown, al-

low them to remain; but in his absence had removed them to her own miserable abode, and to *"the street,"* where we providentially found them. The father satisfied us that he was perfectly able to provide for his sons, but at the same time assured us that he did not desire their removal from under our care, if, after receiving permission to visit them, he should find them in good and happy homes, as he found it to be exceedingly difficult to protect them from the pernicious influence of his wife. Permission was, of course, readily granted the poor fellow to visit his children, which he immediately did, spending with them upwards of a week, as a welcome guest of their kind foster parents. Upon his return to our city he called to see us at the "Home," and with tears forcing themselves down his manly face, endeavored in broken accents to express the gratitude which filled his heart for the excellent homes procured for his children. He had found them happy and contented, surrounded by every necessary comfort, with no desire to return to the city. He assured us of his perfect satisfaction, solemnly declaring that never with his consent should they be removed from their present excellent homes. The mother has likewise frequently called, but never sober but once, and in most cases beastly drunk. Never have informed her relative to the whereabouts of her children, and do not expect to; although we have always, whenever she was sufficiently sober to understand us, (which is seldom,) informed her particularly relative to their welfare, and upon one occasion presented her with their photographs, which, with the peculiar laugh of the inebriate, she kissed over and over again. Poor creature! She loves her children, but she loves her whiskey better.

The father, we think, has left the city, as we never hear from him now; he has, however, a standing invitation from his children's foster parents to visit them at his pleasure. In this incident the public will see illustrated the full object and design of our work.

APPLICATION FROM PARENTS

AND

LETTERS FROM FOSTER PARENTS:

BALTIMORE, October 25, 1865.

I respectfully make application to the Executive Committee of the "Children's Aid Society of Baltimore," to receive G. H. and P. L. S., who will be respectively eight on November 6, 1865, and eleven December 24, 1865. My husband, (W. S.) has been dead three years. At his death he left me without any means of support, being sick two years previous to his death. (He was a local minister in the Methodist Episcopal Church.) I have no earthly means of providing for my sons.

E. S.

The following letter has been received relative to the boys, in their new homes, on adjoining farms:

G. H. Co., MD., 6 Mo., 28th, 1866.

RESPECTED FRIEND PALMER—

I was at thy office when in town last week, but did not get to see thee. The children are well, and getting along very well. They are well contented. P. and G. went to school last Winter and part of the Spring. G. is still going to school this summer—his school will be out in a few days. They go to meeting when it suits us to take them, and appear to be anxious to go there. George is a great boy. He went to blacksmith shop with me this week, and rode a three-year-old colt, which is quite wild. He was much pleased at his exploit, and said it took a pretty good man to ride a colt. If it suits thee, come up and see us—do so—as William and I would like to have a copy of the children's articles. If thee comes up, bring them along.

With respect, &c., G. P. C.

[NOTE.—The mother of these children, having visited them in their country homes, expresses much gratification at finding them so happy and contented.]

BALTIMORE, December 15, 1865.

I respectfully make application to the Executive Committee of the "Children's Aid Society of Baltimore" to receive M. K. and A. McC. A., who will be respectively ten on January 24, 1865, and seven April 3, 1866. My husband has deserted me. He has done nothing for me since February last, but has given me a great deal of trouble. We were once in very comfortable circumstances; my husband being a gun maker by trade, and we did very well, but took to gambling, which ruined him. I have been trying to get along by aid of a sewing machine, but on account of the high price of room rent and the rent of the machine, I am utterly unable to provide for my children—four in number.

Dr. Thomas is acquainted with my circumstances, and can inform you of my destitution. I would be grateful, therefore, if you would receive these—my daughters.

R. A.

The following letters have since been received from the foster parents of the above children:

P. A., S. Co., Md., July 10, 1866.

MR. PALMER,

Dear Sir:

According to the agreement made last January, I will now write a brief report of M. A. for July. We have no reason in the world to regret having taken Mary—feel so much attached to her that we would not part with her upon any consideration. She, in return, is a very dutiful and affectionate child; and is, I believe, very happy and contented in her new home. She has a kind, amiable disposition, and evinces a desire on all occasions to please those around her. She has expressed herself a number of times as being perfectly delighted with the country, and said she would not live in the city if she could; but almost always ends in wishing her mother were here.

She has attended school since the first of March, until a week ago, when her vacation commenced; shall send her again when school begins. She has a good mind, and has improved a good deal. When she came could read but very little, if any; now can read her school books quite fluently. She is particularly interested in her Sabbath school, which she atttends regularly every Sabbath. Judging from the interest she manifests in bits of sacred poetry and fondness for attending church, I think she will be early led to lead a religious life. There is nothing vicious or really wicked in her nature; on the contrary, she is really a very lady-like child, and wins the esteem and admiration of all who see her.

Very respectfully,

S. E. S.

E. N. M., D. Co., Md., July 2, 1866.

W. C. PALMER, Esq—

Dear Sir:

I herewith furnish you my first report of A. A. She has been to school the last three months, riding with my boys three miles to school, in town, every morning, and returning after four o'clock in the afternoon. During the winter she has been taught in the family. Her advancement has not been such as I had hoped, yet she is acquiring habits of study and application, and is obtaining an insight into her studies that will enable her to comprehend her lessons more readily, and thereby make them pleasures, rather than tasks.

Her health and spirits are fine; she has been unwell but two or three days since she has been with us, and then, we think, from indulgence in eating.

Her duties in the house and with the family are better understood by the ladies of the house, and from them I have satisfactory evidence of a desire on the part of A. to do her duty; but, child-like, very neglectful—and inclined to play before completing the little labors she may have to perform towards housekeeping.

We have most difficulty in teaching her to be choice in her associates. She is disposed naturally to make friends with the rude and wild at school—and at home to keep company with the servants. When she becomes older, and can understand our reasons for these things, I shall have no fears that she will continue therein. I have spoken of her weaknesses; she has her virtues.

We have found her strictly honest and truthful—remarkably so; and when we say this, we say all that these words can convey. We are, on the whole, pleased with her life and conduct the past six months; and we may congratulate ourselves that we have been so fortunate in obtaining just such a character as she now promises to be—who will be a credit to those that may raise her, to her mother, and to the Society that has taken charge of her. Thinking the above comprehends all that you wish in your letter of inquiry,

I am, yours, &c., R. F. T.

[NOTE.—The mother of these children has visited one of them; and heard directly and satisfactorily from the other.

BALTIMORE, September 6, 1866.

I respectfully make application to the Executive Committee of the "Children's Aid Society of Baltimore" to receive S. P., who will be ten years of age January 1, 1867. I am unable to provide for my children. My husband is a convict in the Maryland Penitentiary. R. P.

The following letter has been received from the foster parents of the above mentioned child, in her excellent country home:

The following letter has been received from the foster parents of the above mentioned child, in her excellent country home:

M. S., H. Co., Md., *October* 10, 1866.

W. C. Palmer, Esq.—

Dear Sir:

As I am again disappointed in coming to the city this week, I enclose the application for the little girl, who is a remarkably fine and an extra child.

Respectfully, yours, W. M.

COMMITMENTS AND LETTERS FROM FOSTER PARENTS.

Know all by these Presents, That I, Charles P. Meredith, Justice of the Peace of the State of Maryland, in and for the city aforesaid, do hereby, in virtue of the Act of General Assembly of Maryland, of the session of the year eighteen hundred and sixty-four, entitled, an Act to add a new section to Article 4, of the Code of Public Local Law for Baltimore city, title Vagrants, for the purpose of extending to the "Children's Aid Society" the provisions therein relating to the home of the Friendless," to commit to and place under the charge, care and control of the corporation, in the city of Baltimore' called "The Children's Aid Society," J. M., a boy aged twelve years, being found in said city, and being destitute and suffering for want of support, and being an orphan child, without any visible means of support, and found loitering about the city.

And I do hereby commit said child as aforesaid to be and remain under the control and restraint of said Corporation and of the managers thereof, and in their charge, and bound to obedience to their rules, regulations and discipline, as apprentices are by law bound; and until he shall be twenty-one years old, or for a shorter period, as may be determined by said Corporation, agreeably to the provisions of said Act of Assembly.

As witness my hand, at said city, this 26th day of October, in the year Eighteen Hundred and Sixty-Five.

CHARLES P. MEREDITH, J. P.

The following letter has been received relative to J. since he was placed in the county:

W. F., H. Co., Md., *June* 18, 1866.

Mr. W. C. Palmer, *Agent*—

Dear Sir:

Your letter of May 11 came duly to hand; and in reply, am happy to say that J. M. is well and enjoys good health, and appears to be perfectly happy and contented with his home. He has attended school one quarter, and his progress has been as good as I could expect. He can read, and spells very correctly. He has also attended Sabbath school regularly for several months, and church every other Sabbath. I would send him to church every Sabbath, but there is none near us only every other Sabbath. I assure you that I think a great deal of J. I think that he will make some day a useful man. I have always found him very truthful and correct. Please excuse me for not replying before this, as I have been very much engaged, but in the future will try and be more prompt in replying to your letters.

Very respectfully, yours, G. W. L.

Also committed, under the same form as above, by Stephen Whalen, *J. P.*, October 3, 1865, G. W. H., aged ten years—"being without a home; his mother being dead; and his father a dissipated man, has neglected him!"

Our agent has, upon several occasions, visited the boy above alluded to. His home is with a wealthy and highly respectable family in the country. There are no other children in the family. He has every advantage—temporal, intellectual, and spiritual. He loves his home dearly.

LETTERS FROM CHILDREN.

"SHELTERED FROM THE BLAST."

(Referred to in our last Report.)

S. F. Co., Pa., *May 20th*, 1866.

Dear Mr. Palmer: i received your letter some days ago the box was all safe i thank you for what you sent me i am learning to play the accordian i will try and keep the books will read them too i can use the microscope. the candy oranges and cake hav all gone down the red lane we are hauling the stack of straw theat you helped tramp so tight the men wished that you were here to help now Laura and i are going to sunday school, well have you heard from my brother, please tell me where to direct to my sister i want to write to her, give my love to Mrs. P. and all the children i was so taken up with the sight of the accordian i couldent write right away. I like It here very well I wouldent want a better home I went to school four months 1866 please write soon to R. h. 1866.

Not satisfied with present attainments—looking ahead. A destitute orphan. picked up in the Fells Point Market.

R. B. Co., Md., *March 20th*, 1866.

Mr. Palmer: I have not heard from you in a long time, the reason I did not write I have been busy going to school this winter I went one quarter and nearly a half I am well and hope you are the same Mr. Palmer I have changed my mind and if you have no objection I would like to be a black smith I think it is a better trade than farming I'll tell you the reason why I think so if I should learn Blacksmithing and live to be a man and could go to farming then if anything should break such as waggons and plows I could mend them myself. Mr. G. and all the rest says they are very willing for me to go and learn the trade, give my love to Mr. D. and Charlie D. and all the rest of my friends if you should happen to see Charlie D., tell him to write to me.

W. Yours Truly,

March 19, 1866, **P. L.**

"RESCUED FROM THE WRECK."

G., *March* 20*th*, 1866.

MR. PALMER,

Respected Sir: Mr. R has often urged me to write to you to inform you how I am getting along. I feel happy to say, that I am getting along very well, and have very good health, and have grown so much that you would not know me, were you to see me. I am attending lectures this winter with a view to joining the Church. I would like you to ascertain whether I was Baptised, pleased let me know as soon as possible, for I expect to be confirmed from next Sabbath two weeks. Respectfully yours, G. D.

"TRANSPLANTED."

(Mother dead, Father intemperate.)

M. S., C. Co., *March* 21, 1866.

DEAR SIR: I thought I would write you a letter to let you know that I am well and hope you are the same I like my home. I had a fine time this winter going to school and back. We had some pretty good slaying this winter I have enjoyed it going to school and back. I go to church every Sabbath. We have no sabbath school now and i donte know when it will begin again. I learn a hymn every Sabbath and read sabbath school books. I have seen brother not a long time ago he is well. I have harrowed last fall all the wheat ground and I have scattered lime this winter as it is getting dark i must close T. B.

"ROUGH DIAMOND" IN A BAD HUMOR.

E. T. Co., MD., *April* 29, 1866.

MY FRIEND MR. PALMER: i take my pen in hand to let you know that i am not well at this present time, but i hope when these few lines reaches you they may find you Enjoying good health Mr. g has lost his horse And blames me for it and has been scolding me and Whipping me Ever since monday i want you to please To come over to E and see me for i want to see you on some very particular business or Else send For

me to come for i dont want to stay in E. Eney longer i can get a home in Baltimore and it will coste you nothing i am anxious to see my brother and would like to hear from him And if you see him give my love to him and tell Him that i would like to see him i will tell all About it when you come or write to me.

your friend J H R

Please dont let Mr. g see this letter.

NOTE.—This boy has since been transferred to a more suitable home, of his own selection. He doing is well.

FROM A STREET GIRL.

H. Pa., *April* 26, 1866.

KIND MR. PALMER. i seat myself this evening to write you a few lines to let you know that i am well at present and hoping when these few lines reach you they may find you in the same state of health, Mr. Palmer i wrote to you a long wile ago and have not received an answer yet are you sick or what is the matter with you. I would like to know please let me know if you get this letter. Mr. Palmer how is Mrs P and L and G I like Mrs R and Mr. R Mrs R said that when she gets well that she was going to give me a nice present, and Mr. R said that he was going to give me some money. I think i will have to close my letter now. Write as soon as you get this letter.

yours truly

M V H

A YOUNG MACHINIST.

W. C. Co., MD., *July* 22, 1866.

DEAR FRIEND: I have not much to tell you at present but I hope when this letter will reach you it will find you in good health and also the children of the Society. I was at Mr. S's last Sunday and he is getting along Fine, he is got his crop of wheat and oats cut. I like my trade very well. I would like for you to come up to see me some time. Mr P this is a very nice town it has a Court house and a Jail house in it. Well I believe that is al I have got to say at present write soon and oblige your Friend M. W.

[From a little Wanderer to his Mother.]

"HOME AT LAST."

C. M., H. Co., Md., *June* 26, 1866.

My Dear Mother: I take my pen in hand to let you know that I am well I do like to stay here very much I would like to see you well if you can come if they do let me go to Baltimore some times I will go up to see you but the contract seas that I cannot go unless Mr. S goes himself

good by Dear Mother

your effectionathe son

E K

ANSWERS FOR HIMSELF.

G. A. Co., Pa., *May* 22 1866

To

Children's Aid Society,

Baltimore, Md.

Mr. M having received a circular from you, and is sick, I will answer it for him, as well as I can. You say you would be pleased to hear from me, and how I am getting along. I am getting along very well and think I am giving satisfaction to Mr. M. I like my place very well. I have been attending school about three months this year, and have made considerable progress in my studies. I was always at the head of my class. I go to Church, and Sunday School every Sunday, and I think have improved in a moral and religious respect, or at least am trying to do so. I was in Washington and Baltimore last fall, and expect to go this fall, if I live that long, and retain my health. I have no more to say at present, and must bring it to a close.

I remain yours truly,

J. H. P.

"AN OUTCAST."

Parents debased Vagrants.

June 11, 1866.

Mr. Palmer,

I now seat myself to let you know how I am getting along

I am well I am getting along very well I have four good dresses and a new hat I am going to Sunday school. I would like to hear from my sister I have a good place and they treat me very well I am learning to read and cipher pretty well and I can milk almost as well as Mrs P please write soon and tell me where sister is I think I must close my letter from this time nothing more at this time but remain your friend A.

"FROM DARKNESS UNTO LIGHT."

In 1861—*A Little Vagrant.*
In 1866—*A Young Gentleman.*

L. U. Co Pa

Mr Palmer

Dear Friend:

I have failed to keep my promise; but hope you will forgive me, and remember though I have delayed writing; you have by no means been forgotten, but have, and shall ever be kindly cherished, and loved, for the many acts of kindness you have shown me. Oh how much I owe you!!! Been getting along finely since you visited me. My health has been very good, I am growing quite tall, trying to be useful, yet sometimes fail. I am going to school, expecting to go seven months. Have four studies—like them pretty well: A short time ago we had a county fair, which was very nice; and attended by crowds of people to see the horse racing. I am going to get a Centenary medal—have earned money enough to get it myself. I would like to see you. Please excuse all mistakes. Ever remember your indebted friend,

S. T.

P. S. Enclosed you will find my card. S. T.

"TRANSFERRED."

"When my father and my mother forsake me, then the Lord will take me up."

July 22d, 1866.

Mr Palmer

Respected Friend.

I have been thinking of writing too you for some time, I

am well and I hope you you are the same I like my new home very much I went to school four months last winter and had lots of fun, I had two slay rides I would not be back to Mr. V's for any money the county is beautiful up hear we have plenty of black berries, like the country better than the city. I dont care to know of my parents for I am better of without knowing. Philip and George are well they are both happy and enjoy themselves very much in the country we would all of us like to see you very much come see us soon as you can Philip lives in the same house that I do George live right across the road Mrs C has a nice little boy only two years old I love him very much I believe I have told you all at present.

M.

JESSE TYSON, *Treasurer, in account with Children's Aid Society.*

October 1st, 1866.			DISBURSEMENTS.		
To Cash rec'd from contributions	$2,767 07		*By the Treasurer of the Children's Aid Society, for cur'nt expenses feom Oct. 1, 1865 to Oct. 1, 1866*		
To cash rec'd from merchants and business men's banquet com., Geo. W. Herring, Char'n....	223 50		Paid Agents and Clerks Salary.....		967 97
To cash received from rent of Calvert street House.....	325 00		" Rent of Home, No. 166 W. Lombard street.....		175 02
To cash received from rent of Lombard street House.....	25 00		" Traveling expenses (agent and children).....		106 58
To cash received from Maryland Legislature.....	1,000 00		" Printing		263 97
To cash received from City Council of Baltimore.....	1,000 00		" Dry Goods, Clothing &c...		106 34
CR.			" Ground Rent Cal. st. house		100 00
By cash paid current expenses, as per Statement.....		$4,558 91	" Water Rent, repair, &c., Calvert Street House.....		1058 59
By balance.....		781 66	" S. O'Bryan's commissions		437 35
			HOUSE EXPENSES.		
			" Provisions, market'g, &c.,	$617 96	
			" Sundry inciden'l expenses.	287 80	
			" Matron's salary.....	180 00	
			" Servan't wages.....	55 00	
			" Groceries.....	120 70	
	$5,340 57	$5,340 57	" Fuel.....	81 63	1,343 09
To bal. on hand October 1, 1866...	$781 66				
Baltimore, October 1, 1866.			JESSE TYSON, *Treasurer.*		$4,558 91

DONATIONS AND SUBSCRIPTIONS

TO THE

CHILDREN'S AID SOCIEY.

A.

Appold & Son, Geo. J.	$20 00
Armstrong, Thomas	5 00
Armstrong & Co., James	10 00
Armstrong, Mrs. Thomas	5 00

B.

Brown, George S.	20 00
Brown, J. Harman	2 00
Barger, Decter	5 00
Burns, George W.	2 00
Beatty, James	5 00
Butcher, Alexander	5 00
Brehme & Co., O.	5 00
Busby D. T.	5 00
Bartlett, D. L.	5 00
Bansemer, W. G.	5 00
Boninger, Brothers	5 00
Brauns & Co., F. L.	5 00
Brown M. J. & W. A.	5 00
Bevan & Co., Samuel	10 00
Brooks, Fahnestock & Co.	5 00
Block, John	5 00
Barnes & Co., George W.	5 00
Bridges & Co., William	5 00
Boehm, Charles T.	10 00
Bamberger Bros.	1 00
Baer & Crane	5 00
Barth, Samuel	3 00
Biggar & Co., John	5 00
Baird, Thomas D.	5 00
Rendann Brothers	3 00
Backus, Rev. J. C.	10 00
Basshor & Co., Thomas C.	5 00
Bolenius, George H.	I 00

Becker & Brother,	50
Brown, Mrs. George,	20 00
Bonaparte, Jerome Mrs.	2 00
Black, John,	5 00
Baker, Charles J,	25 00
Burton, George W.	5 00
Bridges & Co., John C,	25 00
Baker, Charles, E,	25 00
Bayne & Son, James,	2 00

C

Cohen, Israel,	5 00
Crawford, N. H.	10 00
Clark, John	5 00
Carson, Joseph	3 00
Corner, George W	20 00
Chapman, A. A	20 00
Cairns, A. G. W	1 00
Campbell & Co., Ross	5 00
Coleman, M	1 00
Cook, H. W	1 00
Coleman, R. B	3 00
Campbell, N. P	5 00
Charron & Co., J. B	1 00
Collins & Heath	5 00
Cook, Rev. I. P	10 00
Canfield, W. B	10 00
Curlett, John	25 00
Cheston, Galloway	5 00
Canby, Gilpin & Co	2 00
Cortlan & Co	5 00
Coffroth, Miller & Co	5 00
Carter, W. H	5 00
A. C. & Co	10 00
City Council Appropriation	1,000 00
Cary, D. C.	2 00
Carswell, Robert S	5 00
Cash from Sundry Persons	247 85

D

Daniel, William	5 00
Darby & Co	5 00
Dickson, Dr. John	5 00
Dall & Co., A	10 00
Dicky, William J	3 00
Dean, William A	5 00
Devries & Co., William	5 00
Drost & Sutro	5 00

Dunlap, C. Lew	3 00
Denmead, Talbot	10 00
Denmead, Frances	5 00
Davidson, William,	5 00
Dulany, W	5 00

E.

Elder, Samuel	5 00
Easter, Hamilton	5 00
Eichelberger, O. W	25 00
Ellis & Co., William L	2 00

F.

Fisher, William	5 00
Fenton, Aaron	20 00
Freeland, Hall & Co	5 00
Frey, James H	5 00
Fisher, George W	1 00
Fuller, William	5 00
Fisher, James I	30 00
First Presbyterian Sabbath School	15 00

G.

Gray, Andrew	5 00
Greasley, J. F	3 00
Graham, William H	10 00
Greasley, Charles	1 00
Gill, William L	1 00
Gillman, John L	5 00
Guest, John W	5 00
Guest, Samuel	5 00
Gibson, Patrick	5 00
Griffith, G. S	40 00
Grafton, McHenry	25 00
Giese, J. Henry	5 00
Geyer & Wilkins	5 00
Getty, James	10 00
Gutman, J	2 00
Gregg & Co., Andrew	5 00
Gardner, L. N	2 00
Gambrill, Charles A	5 00
Golder & Unduch,	3 00
Garrett, John W	10 00
Grover & Baker	10 00
Geigher, E. L. H	1 00
Geiske & Neiman	4 00
Gail & Ax, G. W.	10 00

H.

Hinkley, Edward O	10 00
Hurst, John J. & J. A	00

Hooper. William E.	-	-	5 00
Hand, S. G.	-	-	5 00
Hamilton & Co., M. A.	-	-	5 00
Hartman & Strauss,	-	-	1 00
Hollins & Burnett,	-	-	2 00
Hamilton S. M.	-	-	5 00
Hough, William F.	-	-	5 00
Holliday, Daniel,	-	-	5 00
Hurst, John,	-	-	5 00
Howard, George W.	-	-	5 00
Hurst & Co.	-	-	5 00
Hines, Julius,	-	-	2 00
Herring, J. Q. A	-	-	5 00
Humrichouse, C. W.	-	-	5 00
Hecht, J.	-	-	1 00
Hutzler, M.	-	-	2 00
Heith Jr. & Son, M.	-	-	5 00
Hunt, Germon H.	-	-	10 00
Hartshorn J.	-	-	5 00
Hopper, Samuel W. T.	-	-	3 00
Hall, George W. S.	-	-	5 00
Holthaus, F. T.	-	-	5 00
Hyan, A.	-	-	1 00
Hutchinson, Bros.,	-	-	5 00
Hollingshead, J.	-	-	2 00
Hinds, William S.	-	-	5 00
Hinkleman, T.	-	-	2 00
Hough, Mrs. Sue L.	-	-	5 00
Hough, Kate H.	-	-	5 00
Harris, William,	-	-	1 00
Hall, J. C.	-	-	1 00

I.

Ingle, William P.	-	-	5 00
Isreal, Rev. F.	-	-	5 00

J.

Johnson, Jr., Reverdy,	-	-	50 00
Jamison, A.	-	-	2 00
Jennings & Co., N. H.	-	-	5 00
Johnson, William R.	-	-	5 00
James, Henry,	-	-	10 00

K.

Kelsey, Henry,	-	-	10 00
Kimberly, Bros.	-	-	5 00
Keyser, Troxell & Co.	-	-	10 00
Kephart, Peter,	-	-	5 00

Keener, Dr. William H	10 00
Kensett, Thomas	10 00
Knabe & Co., William	5 00
Kelso, Thomas	5 00
Keen & Hagerty	5 00
King, Francis T	5 00
Kelso, Jr. John R	10 00

L.

Lord, Charles W	5 00
Lord & Robinson	2 00
Levering & Co., F. A	5 00
Lanstreet, William T	5 00
Leary, John	5 00
Latrobe, Benjamin H	25 00

M.

Mathews, R. Stockett	5 00
McKim, J. H	10 00
McKim, William	5 00
McKim, Haslett	5 00
McElroy, John	5 00
McShane, Henry	10 00
Moore, Robert	5 00
Mercer, Charles H	5 00
Maitland, B	5 00
McDowell, Robinson & Co	5 00
Matthews, T. R	5 00
Mathiot & Son, A	2 00
Maris, Dr. Edward	5 00
Miller & Bro. Wm. H	5 00
Maxwell, Wm. G	2 00
Merker, Andrew	10 00
McDougal, James	5 00
Miliken, R. H	5 00
Markell, Charles H	20 00
McMurray, L	5 00
Maltby C. S	10 00
Merchants' and Business Mens' Banquet Association	223 50
Marriott, J. McKim	5 00
Millikin, W. H	5 00
Madison Avenue Sunday School	50 00
Miller, Daniel	5 00
E. M. Jr	10 00
Mullen	1 00
McGuire, J	1 00
Mackenzie	1 00

N.

Norris & Baldwin,	5 00
Neal George H. C.	5 00
Numsen, Carroll & Co.	10 00
Nordlinger & Co.	2 00

O.

Oren, John M.	10 00
Oudesluys, C. L.	5 00

P.

Perry & Co., Levi,	5 00
Pope & Cole,	5 00
Pracht & Co., Charles,	3 00
Passano, L.	5 00
Poultney & Moale,	5 00
Poultney, E.	5 00
Perkins, E. H.	5 00
Pierson & Co., W.	2 00
Poole & Hunt,	10 00
Poultney & Trimble,	10 00
Poultney, T.	5 00
Pagels, George H.	10 00
Paul W.	1 00
Parlett, B. F.	20 00
Parker & Co., E. L.	10 00
Pawley, James	5 00
Patterson, J. W.	50 00
Purviance, Miss Margarett	2 00

R.

Rieman, Wm. J.	5 00
Rogers, D. G.	5 00
Renwick & Son, Robert	4 00
Rosenfield & Co.,	2 00
Roads & Son, W.	5 00
Rice, Chase & Co.	5 00
Robbins, H. W.	5 00
Reese & Co., G. H.	10 00
Reuter, Andrew	1 00
Richardson, Edward J.	5 00
Richardson, J. W.	2 00
Rodenmeyer, W. A.	5 00
Rodenmeyer, Mrs. Leah	5 00
Rogers, Jr., Joseph	5 00
Roberts, Horace T.	5 00
Ruckle, George	5 00
Royston, N. B.	1 00

Rent of Lombard Street House	-	-	25 00
Rent of Calvert Street House,	-	-	325 00

S.

Smith, J. Dean	-	-	10 00
Small, E. C.	-	-	2 00
Sterling, A.	-	-	2 00
Spence & Reid,	-	-	20 00
Stirling & Ahrens,	-	-	5 00
Small, George W.	-	-	10 00
Sullivan & Son, John	-	-	5 00
Simms & Tyson,	-	-	5 00
Stickney, J. Henry	-	-	10 00
Stine, N. H.	-	-	50
Silverwood, Wm.	-	-	2 00
Smith, J. J.	-	-	2 00
Stevens, George O.	-	-	10 00
Shoemaker, S. M.	-	-	5 00
Sisco & Brother,	-	-	5 00
Stellmann, Hinrichs & Co.		-	10 00
Spear Bros.	-	-	3 00
Shields & Co., Thomas	-	-	3 00
Smith, Thomas & John M.		-	5 00
Schlott & Pitzold N.		-	2 00
Schenck, Eev. N. H.	-	-	10 00
Stran & Co.. Wm. H.	-	-	10 00
Shanks, T.	-	-	1 00
Schumacher A.	-	-	20 00
Sanders & Co., George	-	-	5 00
Stewart, Joseph W.	-	-	5 00
Selby, John S.	-	-	2 00
State Appropriation,	-	-	1,000 00

T.

Thompson, S. P.	-	-	5 00
Tyson, Jesse	-	-	100 00
Turnbull & Co., J.	-	-	5 00
Towson, Charles	-	-	5 00
Thomson, Laurence	-	-	5 00
Thompson, Thomas	-	-	5 00
Tall & Eagan,	-	-	3 00
Thomas & Son, Joseph	-	-	5 00
Trull, J. B.	-	-	5 00
Tall, George W.	-	-	1 00

V.

Valiant & Co., T. D.	-	-	2 00
Von Kapff & Ahrens,	-	-	5 00

W.

White, Miles	20 00
Waters & Easter,	10 00
West & Son, C.	5 00
Welsh & Son, Wm.	5 00
Weisenfield & Co.	5 00
Waskey, B.	2 00
Woods, A. P.	5 00
Walter & McGlue,	5 00
Wilson, Thomas	2 00
Werdebaugh & Co., H. J.	5 00
Wilkins & Co., Wm.	10 00
Wilmer & Co., Wm. J.	5 00
Webb, Wm. P.	5 00
Wetherall, Wm. G.	10 00
Wentz, Wm. A.	2 00
Warden, James & H.	50 00
Willis, B. F.	5 00
Wisong, Wm. A.	10 00
Woods, Jr., Hiram	50 00
Weeks, John L.	35 00
Wilson, D. S.	5 00
Wolf, Edmond	2 00
Weatherby & Son, J.	5 00
W. T. W.	5 00
Weedon & Johnson	5 00

DONATIONS AND SUBSCRIPTIONS

To the Ladies' Board of the "Children's Aid Society."

Brown, Mrs. George S.	$10 00
Benson, Mrs.	1 00
Boyd, Mrs.	1 00
Backus', Mrs. Children.	5 00
Canfield, Mrs. Wm. B.	1 00
Church, Mrs. R. T.	1 00
Curlett, Mrs. John	1 00
Cockey, Mrs.	1 00
Cash from Sundry Friends	25 25
Daniel, Mrs.	10 00
Griffith, G. S.	20 00
Hamiliton, Mrs. M. G.	1 00
Harris, Miss A.	1 00
Hart, Mrs. I	1 00
Harrison, Mrs. Peyton	10 00
Handy, Mrs. Dr.	5 00

Kimmel, Mrs. Wm.	1 00
Laurason, Wrs. Wm.	1 00
McCullough, Dr.	20 00
McKenzie, Thomas G.	10 00
McKim, Mrs. Isaac	1 00
McKim, Isaac	10 00
Proceeds of Concert,	459 50
Smith, Mrs. Job	1 00
Spicer, Mrs. Thomas	5 00
Shoemaker, Mrs.	5 00
Turnbull, Mrs.	10 00
T. J. P.	10 00
Whitney, Mrs. M	1 00
Williams, Mrs. Edward	10 00
Total amount of Receipts	$634 75

Report of the Treasurer of the Ladies' Board of Managers.

Balance on hand October 1, 1865,		$94 49
Receipts since Oct. 1, 1865, (as per above,)	$634 75	
Expenditures for furnishing Home, Clothing &c., &c.	601 91	
		32 84
Balance on hand Oct. 1st, 1866		$127 33

Respectfully submitted,
MISS I. HART, Treasurer.

DONATIONS OF MATERIALS AND PROVISIONS.

Names, Residence, Business and Article.

Messrs. Armstrong & Berry, Booksellers and Stationers, 156 W. Baltimore street. Stationery to the value of $1.50.

Cushing & Bailey, Booksellers and Stationers, 262 West Baltimore street. Note paper $2.00

Carroll, Adams & Neer, Boots, Shoes and Straw Goods, 286 W. Baltimore street. Six pair of boys shoes, value $6.

William T. Dixon & Bro., Boots and shoes, wholesale, Baltimore st., near Liberty. 5 pair boys shoes value $10.00.

T. Newton Kurtz, bookseller and Stationer, 151 W. Pratt street. One box of Envelopes.

Chas. W. Lord, Brushes and willow ware, 88 and 90 West Lombard street. Half dozen brooms.

Levi Perry & Co., 177 and 179 W. Baltimore st. Boots and shoes, wholesale. Six pair misses shoes, value $6.00.

Ancel C. Perry, (Levi Perry & Co.,) Boots and Shoes, 177 and 179 W. Baltimore street. Girls shoes, value $20.00.

Wm. F. Richstein, Books and Stationery, 178 W. Baltimore street. Stationery to the value of $10.

Geo. W. M. Crook, boot and shoe dealer, 97 West Baltimore street and 43 N. Eutaw street. Five pair girls' shoes.

Tucker & Smith, boot and shoe dealers, 250 West Baltimore street. Four pair boys shoes.

Bailey & Co., china and glassware, 6 Hanover street. Crockery ware to the value of $3.00.

G. R. & L. E. Bennett, coal dealers, office and yard, Howard street, opposite Centre. Half ton coal $1.50.

Geo. M. Bokee, crockery and glassware, Howard street, Lexington street. Crockery ware to the value of $10.

M. J. & W. A. Brown, commission Merchants, 11 Pratt street. One hundred pounds corn meal.

James Boyce, President Franklin Coal Company, 30 Sest. 2 tons coal $13,00.

John Brown & Son, coal dealers, N. 88 High street. Half ton coal.

Bond & Jones, commission merchants, corner Pratt and Hollinsworth sts. 2 bushels potatoes, $3.00.

Cook & Herring, china and crockery ware, 7 S. Charles st. Crockeryware, value, $5.00.

John R. Cox & Pope, commission merchants, corner Howard and Fayette streets. Fifty pounds dried apples.

Cary & Co., coal dealers, office and yard 162 N. Howard street. One ton soft coal $8.50.

Samuel Elder, commission merchant, 32 N. Howard street. One hundred pounds flour.

J. Henry Geise, commission merchant, 21 Spear's wharf. One ton coal value $12.50.

Francis Grove, commission merchant, corner Howard and Mulberry streets. Half barrel flour.

Griffith & Onion, coal dealers, corner Lombard and Central avenue. Half ton L. V. coal $4.50

Wm. A. House, coal dealer, corner Lombard and South streets. Half ton coal $4.25.

Hutchison Bros., coal dealers, corner Cathedral and Biddle streets. Half ton coal $4.50

Haines & Gilbert, commission merchants, 110 N. Howard street. Fifty pounds Rye flour.

R. B. Latimer, commission merchant, South street, near Pratt. Half barrel flour.

Pitts & Co., commission merchants, 284 W. Pratt street. Half barrel flour $7.50.

R. G. Rieman, coal dealer, South street, opposite Second street. One ton coal.

S. S. Stevens & Son, cabinet and furniture dealers, 3 South Calvert street. Donation on office table $24.00.

Shipley, Roane & Co., wholesale clothiers, 303 West Baltimore street. One good suit for boy.

E. H. Stabler, Jr. & Co., coal dealers 3 Sounth street. Two ton of coal.

J. H. Wright & Co., coal dealers, corner Fayette and Central avenue. Half ton L. V. coal $4.50.

George Young & Co., commission merchants, 80 North street. One barrel flour $13.00.

William T. Ely, druggist and apothecary, corner Saratoga and Calvert streets. Medicines to value of $5.00.

N. Hynson Jennings & Co., druggists, 88 North Charles street. Medicines to value $5.00.

A. J. Miller, druggist, wholesale, 10 & 12 North Howard street. Drugs value $5.00.

Sharp & Dohme, druggist and apothecaries, corner Howard and Pratt streets. Medicines to value of $5.00.

E. Bonney, embroidery, ribbons, etc., 209 West Baltimore street. Children's hoods, etc., value $10.00.

William Bridges & Son, fruit dealers, wholesale, 313 W. Baltimore street. Lot of oranges.

Cortlan & Co., fancy plated goods, 216 and 218 West Baltimore street. One umbrella stand.

William H. Corner, flour store, South near Lombard street. Corn meal value $2.25.

Dix & Steiner, importers of fruits and nuts, 112 W. Lombard st. Lot of fire works.

Geo. M. Ehrman, flour and feed store, corner Pratt and Howard sts. ½ bbl. flour.

J. Knipp, Jr., fancy goods, 33 N. Howard st. Stockings, value $5,00.

Fangmeyer, Doll & Castle, flour commission merchants, 49 and 51 S. Howard st. 1 bbl. flour, $13.00

A. H. Greenfield, house furnishing goods, wholesale and retail, 167 Lexington st. ½ dozen corn brooms.

A. Kahler, flour and feed store, corner Baltimore and Eutaw sts. 100 lbs. flour.

P. Macdonald, feed store, corner Central Market Space and Pratt st. 100 lbs. corn meal.

Morgan & Hopkins, flour dealers, Howard st. between Centre and Franklin. 1 bbl. flour.

J. & W. W. Post & Co., fish and cheese dealers, 43 Second st. 1 kit of mackeral and 25 lbs. hake fish.

A. Pabst, flour merchant, 139 N. Howard st. 100 lbs. flour.

J. Robinson, house furnishing goods, 333 W. Baltimore st. Tin ware to the value $3.00.

M. Coleman & Co., grocers and commission merchants, corner Franklin and Paca sts. One sack of salt, $4 00

A Fisher & Son, grocers, 25 Pennsylvania ave. 50 lbs. corn meal.

John S. Stansbury, grocer, 12 and 14 Penn. ave. ½ bbl. flour $7.50.

Boehm, Rice & Co., household articles, 32 S. Calvert st. 3 hair brushes and 1 hat rack.

Thos. Sumalt & Co., ice dealers, Mulbery st. near Howard. Supply "Home" with ice.

J. R. Lester, Lime, Feed and Coal, 140 N. Howard st., ½ Ton L. V. Coal, $4.50.

Thos. H. Alexander, Match Depot, 8 Saratoga st. 1 Gross Parlor Matches.

Chas. A. Gambrill, Miller, 32 Commerce st. 2 bbls. Flour.

L. D. Deitz & Co., Notions and Fancy Goods, 308 W. Balto. st. 1 Bar Castile Soap and Note paper, 50 cts

S. J. Smith, Oyster, Packer, junction Howard and Liberty st. 2 Bags of Oysters.

John W. Bechtel, Plumber and Dealer in Stoves, 93 N. Eutaw st. 1 Water Can.

W. Bond, Pyrotechnist, Wolf st. bet. Fayette and Balto. sts. Lot of fine fire works.

Wm. J. Delcher, Produce Dealer, 154 *W.* Pratt st. 1 bbl. apples.

Ellicot & Hewes, Produce Dealer, 67 Ex. Place. Supply the "Home" with butter.

Knight & Johnson, Paper Dealers, wholesale, 218, Charles st. 500 envelopes.

Willis & Adams, Paper warehouse, wholesale, 12 S. Charles st. 1,000 envelopes and stationery, value $6.25.

B. F. Blakeney & Co., Gold Pen manufacturer, 99 W. Balto. st. Two gold pens, $3.50.

J. W. Bond & Co., Stationers, 86 W. Balto. st. 50 envelopes.

Geo. W. Burns, Shoe Dealer, wholesale, 338 W. Balto. st. 6 pair boys shoos.

Wm. P. Magee, Shirt Manufacturer and Gents' Furnishing Goods, 60 N. Eutaw st. Stockings, gloves, etc., value, $8.85.

Wm. Paul, Stationer and Blank book manufacturer, 22 Water st. Note paper, $1.00.

Saml. E. Turner & Co., Stationers, 3 S. Charles st. Stationery, value $8.50.

Jno. L. Weeks, Sugar Refinery, cor. Lombard and Concords sts. ½ bbl. White Sugar.

Whittney, Medairy & Co., Stationers and Booksellers, 6 N. Howard st. Stationery to value $4.50.

A Friend, ½ ton soft coal.

FOR CHRISTMAS.

Henry W. Drakeley. 2 geese and 6 chickens.

Sundry other Friends. 2 bush. beans, 1 peck dried apples; cakes, jar preserves and candy; paper of candy and 2 pies; leg of pork; turkey and goose and pudding; basket of provisions; turkey, pies and cakes; turkey and pies; ice cream; assorted cake.

FORM OF A BEQUEST OF MONEY TO THE CHILDREN'S AID SOCIETY.

I give and bequeath to the Children's Aid Society of Baltimore, the sum of ———————— dollars, to be paid to the Treasurer thereof, for the time being, for the use of said Society.

FORM OF A CONTRACT

Between the Parent or Guardian and the Children's Aid Society of Baltimore, Md.

[Blank Form filled up as a Specimen.]

BALTIMORE, MD., *October* 1, 1866.

For and in consideration of expenses already incurred by the Managers of the Children's Aid Society of Baltimore, and in consideration of their providing a *good* home, by adoption, or as member of the family of some suitable person in the country, I hereby agree to surrender over to the said Children's Aid Society of Baltimore, all claim to my child Edward Jones, who will be ten years of age on twenty-third day of November next, until he arrives at the age of twenty-one years; and I do hereby agee *and most solemnly promise* in the presence of the undersigned witnesses, that in consideration of the annexed promise made me by Wm. C. Palmer, Agent of said Children's Aid Society of Baltimore, to proeure my son a good home in the country, and to watch over and protect him until he becomes of age, that I will in no case molest or trouble the family with whom he is placed, nor attempt to remove him without their consent, or the consent of the Managers of this Society.

EVAN JONES.

Witness, William Jos. Turner. Residence, No. 45 — street.
Witness, Isaac M. Donaldson. Residence, No. 47 — street.

BALTIMORE, MD. *October* 1, 1866.

On behalf of the Managers of the Children's Aid Society of Baltimore, I do hereby agree with, and do most solemnly promise Mr. Evan Jones, to use every effort in my power to procure his son Edward Jones, who will be ten years of age on the twenty-third day of November next, a *good* home, either by adoption, or as a member of the family of some suitable person in the country, and that I will continue to look after and protect him in the home to which he is sent by the Managers of the said Children's Aid Society of Baltimore as long as he is under our control, or until he arrives at the age of twenty-one years,

WM. C. PALMER, *Agent.*

Witness, George Shreck. Residence, No. 135 Blank st.
Witness, Michael Ehrman, Residence, No. 7 Blank st.

FORM OF A CONTRACT.

Between the Country Applicant and the Children's Aid Society of Baltimore, Md.; with explanatory notes.

BALTIMORE, 186

MR.

Dear Sir:—In reply to your inquiries respecting children to be sent into the country, we would make the following statement of our purposes and plan of working:

We receive children from 8 to 15 years for boys, and from 8 to 12 for girls.

Children without parents or guardians, can be adopted or indentured by the proper authorities, in the county town of the applicant.

We can sometimes induce parents to make a legal transfer of their children, but more frequently we only have permission to send them, with the exceptation that, if both parties are satisfied after a trial of two months, the children are to remain till of age; if the children do not prove satisfactory, they may be returned to us at the expiration of two months, if not bound.

We do not place children out as servants, but wish for them good homes in Christian families, where trey will be treated with kindness, have opportunities for school, be trained to habits of industry, under a religious influence, and with those who will take an interest in their future welfare.

A letter of recommendation from your pastor, or some responsible person, is necessary, if you live in a neighborhood where we have a "Local Committee," we require its endorsement, and if you have acquaintances in Baltimore, we wish their address. When the child is of age, some provision in money or otherwise must be made for it. See questions 13 and 14.

Persons are expected to call at the "Home," or send some responsible person for the children. Those who cannot call or send, must wait until the Agent can deliver the children to them, and they are expected to pay their traveling expenses from Baltimore, and also back, if returned.

It is required that parties applying give full information as to their wants, and it is advised that they apply for the younger children, experience teaching us that they are more easily managed, and give more general satisfaction than the older.

We shall insist upon your writing us in regard to the welfare of the child twice a year, on the first of January and first of July.

WM. C. PALMER, Agent.

CONTRACT.

I, the undersigned, respectfully make application to the Children's Aid Society of Baltimore, for a ——— of ——— years of age; and I do hereby agree and promise, in the presence of the undersigned witnesses, that I will, to the best of my ability, fulfil the answers which I make to the following questions:

1. For what purpose do you wish the child, and for what occupation or business in life do you propose to fit it?
2. Will you receive and treat the child, with the care, respect and forbearance that you would wish exercised towards your own, under like circumstances?
3. Will you clothe the child as genteely and comfortably, as if it were your own?
4. Will you retain the child until it has had a fair trial of two months, and then keep it if you are satisfied?
5. Should you wish to return the child at the expiration of two months' trial, will you do so at your own expense, and be responsible for its safe arrival at our "Home" in Baltimore?
6. In case of sickness, disease or accident, will the child be retained and receive proper medical attention under your special care?
7. Will you give the child not less than three months' schooling each year, until it is eighteen years of age?
8. Will you require of the child a strict observance of the Sabbath, and see that it attends church and Sabbath school, regularly?
9. Will you endeavor to protect the child from evil examples and influences, and from outside interference?
10. Will you inform us immediately, should any one by correspondence or otherwise, interfere with you in the possession of the child?
11. Will you promise to deliver the child up to no one, but to the Agent of our Society, unless required by law; nor allow it to visit the city without the consent of our Agent?
12. Should the child leave you, will you immediately inform our agent, and take prompt steps for its recovery?
13. Will you give this Society a certain sum of money, annually, to be kept for the child until it is of age; and how much?
14. What will you give the child when of age?
15. Will you come or send some responsible person for the child, who will deliver it to you?
16. Should you be unable to come or send, will you wait until the Agent can deliver it to you, you paying its traveling expenses from Baltimore?

17. Will you write us in regard to the welfare of the child, on the first of January and first of July of every year?—(*This is very important, and we will insist strictly upon its being complied with.*)

18. May we consider you an APPLICANT for a child till we furnish you with one, or hear from you to the contrary?

Name of Applicant,
" " *Post Office,*
" " *Witness,* *Residence,*
" " *Witness;* *Ressidence,*
REFERENCES:

Endorsers,

Cor. Secretary of Local Committee.
at

N. B. It is ABSOLUTELY requisite that the applicant *after stating the* SEX *and* AGE *of the child desired,* answer in WRITING the *foregoing questions* in accordance with the *following explanatory notes, as no child will be placed out until we receive the above form of Contract,* SATISFACTORILY FILLED UP, SIGNED, WITNESSED AND ENDORSED.

EXPLANATORY NOTES TO ABOVE QUESTIONS.

Question 1. We require this question to be answered as *explicitly as possible,* the applicant stating briefly his *object* and *design* in applying for the child, with the *occupation* or *business* in life *for which he designs to fit it.*

Question 2. We require, that so far, as *kind considerate* and *especful treatment* is concerned, the child be received upon an equality with the adplicants family, should it be ascertained upon a *trial of two months,* that the child is *unsuitable* it can be *returned to our "Home" in Baltimore, at No. 72 North Calvert Street, near Pleasant.*

Question 3. We require the child to be *clad as genteely and as comfortably, as the children of country gentlemen generally.*

Question 4. We require, that the child be retained until the expiration of its full term of trial. Should it be desirable to return it, ten days previous notice must be given.

Question 5. We require, should the child be returned that it be delivered by its foster parent, in person, or by the hands of some perfectly responsible person to the agent, or in his absence, one of the officers at the "Home" in as good condition in respect to clothing, as when received.

Question 6. We require, in the case of sickness, disease or accident, that the child receive proper medical attention, and careful nursing under your special care, and must not be returned in a sickly, diseased or maimed condition.

Question 7. We require the child to be sent to a proper day school, three months each year, until it arrives at 18 years of age, or an average amount independent of any instruction it may receive at home.

Question 8. We require the foster parents to be very particular in the child's attendance upon Church and Sabbath School, as frequently as possible, we considering the moral training of the children the most important feature in our work.

Question 9 and 10. The foster parents will be held strictly responsible for the safety and protection of the child while under their care, they informing us immediately of the least interference from any source whatever.

Question 11. The foster parents are responsible to the Society alone for the child, and must deliver it up to no one, nor allow it to visit the city, without the consent of our Agent.

Question 12. In the case of the child's absconding, its foster parents will be required to protect the Society, by the adoption of prompt and effective measures for its recovery.

Question 13 and 14. At age our boys receive the amount of $100.00. Our girls $50.00. We prefer, however, that these amounts should be paid in annual installments, to the order of our Agent. The amount to be paid annually can be ascertained by simply calculating the number of years the child has to serve, and dividing the number of years into the amount which will be due the child when it arrives at age.

Question 15. The applicant will be required to send some perfectly reliable person to our "Home" for the child.

Question 16. The child shall be delivered by the Agent in person to the applicant, at which time he (the agent) shall be refunded the full amount of its traveling expenses.

Question 17. Unless we receive concise written reports, at least twice a year relative to the child, we consider the contract violated.

Question 18. No application will be retained upon our books for a longer period than six months from its reception, unless renewed by the applicant.

Signature of Applicant, &c. Applications are not considered legal, unless signed by the applicant himself, with his post office address. The signatures of two responsible witnesses, with their address. The names of three responsible referees, with their address. The endorsements of the Local Committee of his district, should there be one, and the application properly dated.

Observance of Contract. Foster parents are held strictly accountable for the observance of their contract with the Society. Should the contract be violated, the child will certainly be removed. Our agent is required at all times and under all circumstances, to furnish the applicant, to the best

of his knowledge and belief, with a true and concise statement relative to the antecedents, habits, disposition, health, &c., of each and every child under his care.

An Act to add a new section to Article IV of the Code of Public Local Laws for Baltimore city, title "Vagrants," for the purpose of extending to the Children's Aid Society, the provisions therein relating to the Home of the Friendless.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the following Section be added to Article IV of the Public Local Law for Baltimore City, title Vagrants:

SEC. 1. The Judges of the Orphan's Court of Baltimore City, the Judge of the Criminal Court, any Justice of the Peace, the Trustees of the Poor and the ward-managers of the Poor, and any Police Officer or Constable of said city, are hereby authorized and empowered to deal with, and commit to the President and Board of Managers of the Children's Aid Society of Baltimore, any minor, whether male or female, in the same manner and under the same circumstances* as they are authorized to deal with and commit female minors to the care and charge of the Home of the Friendless, by the Public Local Law of the City of Baltimore, Article IV., title "Vagrants," Section 907 to 927 both inclusive, and the President and Board of Managers of said Children's Aid Society of Baltimore, are hereby vested in regard to all minors male or female, with all the rights, powers and authority which the Home of the Friendless, or the President and Managers thereof by said Public Local Law of Baltimore City are vested with in regard to female minors, and are to observe the same forms and regulations in regard to the binding out, adopting or otherwise disposing of minors, male and female, committed to them by virtue of this law, except that the President and Board of Managers of the Children's Aid Society may bind out or dispose of male minors committed to them until twenty-one years of age.

---

* These circumstances are, being destitute, and suffering for want of support—found begging about the streets of Baltimore city—child of a beggar—suffering through the extreme indigence of parents—or bad habits of parents—or neglect of parents—illegitimate child, without sufficient sustenance afforded—or child of persons without the State of Maryland, without sufficient sustenance afforded.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF THE CHILDREN'S AID SOCIETY OF BALTIMORE.

CONSTITUTION.

1. This Society shall be known by the name of the CHILDREN'L AID SOCIETY of Baltimore.

2. Its object shall be to improve the condition of poor and destitute children of this city, and especially by procuring them homes in the country.

3. The affairs and business of the Society shall be managed by thirty (30) Managers, who shall be chosen hereafter, at such time and place as shall be designated for that purpose in the by-laws. The managers in office, at the time of the formation ef this Constituttion, shall be Wm. B. Canfield, Judge H. L. Bond, Dr. H. S. Hunt, Edward M. Greenway, A. G. P. Dodge, T. S. Rhett, Dr. J. C. Thomas, W. H. Stran, E. Whitman, Jesse Tyson, R. S. Mathews, W. C. Palmer, Edward M. Keith, W. C. Hopkins, John W. Davis, Thomas Creamer, J. Dean Smith, William A. Wisong, T. D. Baird, A. F. Crane, J. W. Selby, W. H. Richardson, C. J. Baker, J. R. Stillson, Charles H. Mercer, Rev. I. P. Cook, M. N. Forney, Gerard H. Reese, Dr. L. H. Steiner, Edward Otis Hinkley, who shall serve for one year, and until others are appointed, and shall from their own number appoint a President, Vice President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, and Treasurer, who shall serve until others shall be chosen in their stead.

4. Every person who shall have contributed within the year to the funds of the association, and not less than thirty days preceding the annual election and whose whole contribution shall have been entered upon the books, shall be considered a member thereof, and shall be entitled to voteat such election of Managers.

5. The Board of Managers shall have power to appoint such other officers and agent as they may think proper, to prescribe their duties and fix their compensation, and in general to carry out the objects of the Society.

They shall also have power to fill vacancies, in their number, occasioned by death, resignation, or otherwise, until the next annual election occurring after such vacancy.

6. The constitution may be altered or amended at any annual meeting of the society.

BY-LAWS.

1. Stated meetings of the Managers shall be held on the first Tuesday of every month.

2. Special meetings may also be called by the President and Vice President, or on the written request of any three Managers.

3. Seven Managers shall constitute a quorum.

4. The President, or in his absence the Vice President, shall preside at all meetings of the society and Board, and perform the duties usual to such officer.

5. The Recording Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of the Society and Board.

The Corresponding Secretary shall have charge of all the correspondence of the society, and perform such other duties as General Superintendent as the Board may direct.

7. The Treasurer shall be arthorized to pay any funds in his hands, on the order of the Corresponding Secretary, countersigned by the President, or in his absence by three Managers. At each stated meeting, he shall report the amount of receipts and expenditures since the last stated meeting, and the amount of funds on hand.

8. The annual meeting of the society shall be held at such time and place in October in each year, as the Board may designate, at which time the annual election for Managers shall take place, and a report of the workings of the society shall be made by the Board.

9. No alteration of, or addition to the by laws shall be made, except at a stated meeting of the Board of Managers, of which notice shall be given at the last previous stated meeting.